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SUBJECT: ALBANIAN PREMIER IN PARIS

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1. EMBOFF WAS TOLD BY QUAI EE AFFAIRS OFFICER DE LA COSTE AND SOVIET FIRST SECRETARY SUCHKOV IN SEPARATE CONVERSATIONS MARCH 16 THAT ALBANIAN PREMIER SHEHU HAS COME TO FRANCE FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT. DE LA COSTE RECALLED THAT SHEHU CALLED ON FRENCH PRIME MINISTER CHABAN DELMAS LAST YEAR AFTER SIMILAR TREATMENT HERE (PARIS 6697, APRIL 7, 1972), BUT SAID ALBANIAN EMBASSY HAS NOT YET HINTED THAT SHEHU INTENDS TO MAKE ANY OFFICIAL CALLS ON GOF LEADERS BEFORE COMPLETING HIS CURRENT VISIT.

2. SHEHU APPARENTLY ARRIVED IN PARIS BY MARCH 14, SINCE ON THAT DAY EMBASSY NAVAL ATTACHE OBSERVED SEVERAL AUTO-MOBILES WITH ALBANIAN CD PLATES ESCORTED BY FRENCH SECURITY OFFICERS. MOST PROTECTED AUTOMOBIL INCLUDED MAN AND WOMAN, WHOM WE SUSPECT WERE PREMIER AND MRS. SHEHU.

3. AFP DIPLOMATIC EDITOR MICHEL LELEU, WHO PLANS TO VISIT ALBANIA IN NEXT FEW WEEKS (PARIS 1388), TELLS US HE MAY
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TRY TO LOCATE SHEHU FOR INTERVIEW DURING HIS STAY IN FRANCE.

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